

Matter AntiMatter Fluctuations

Search, discovery & analysis of Bs oscillations

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outline

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- about the monograph
- about the physics
 - antimatter and particle mixing
 - selected results
- analogies with an ongoing search
- Q&A

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book presentation

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about the author

- particle physicist, currently working at LHC's CMS
- first came to CERN 14 years ago as a summer student
 - enjoyed the stay ➡ decided to pursue career in the field
- moved to grad school: Cambridge, UK and then Cambridge, MA
- thesis research (book's subject) at Fermilab, near Chicago
- returned to CERN, as research fellow, 5 years ago this month
- continued since based at CERN as researcher in CMS

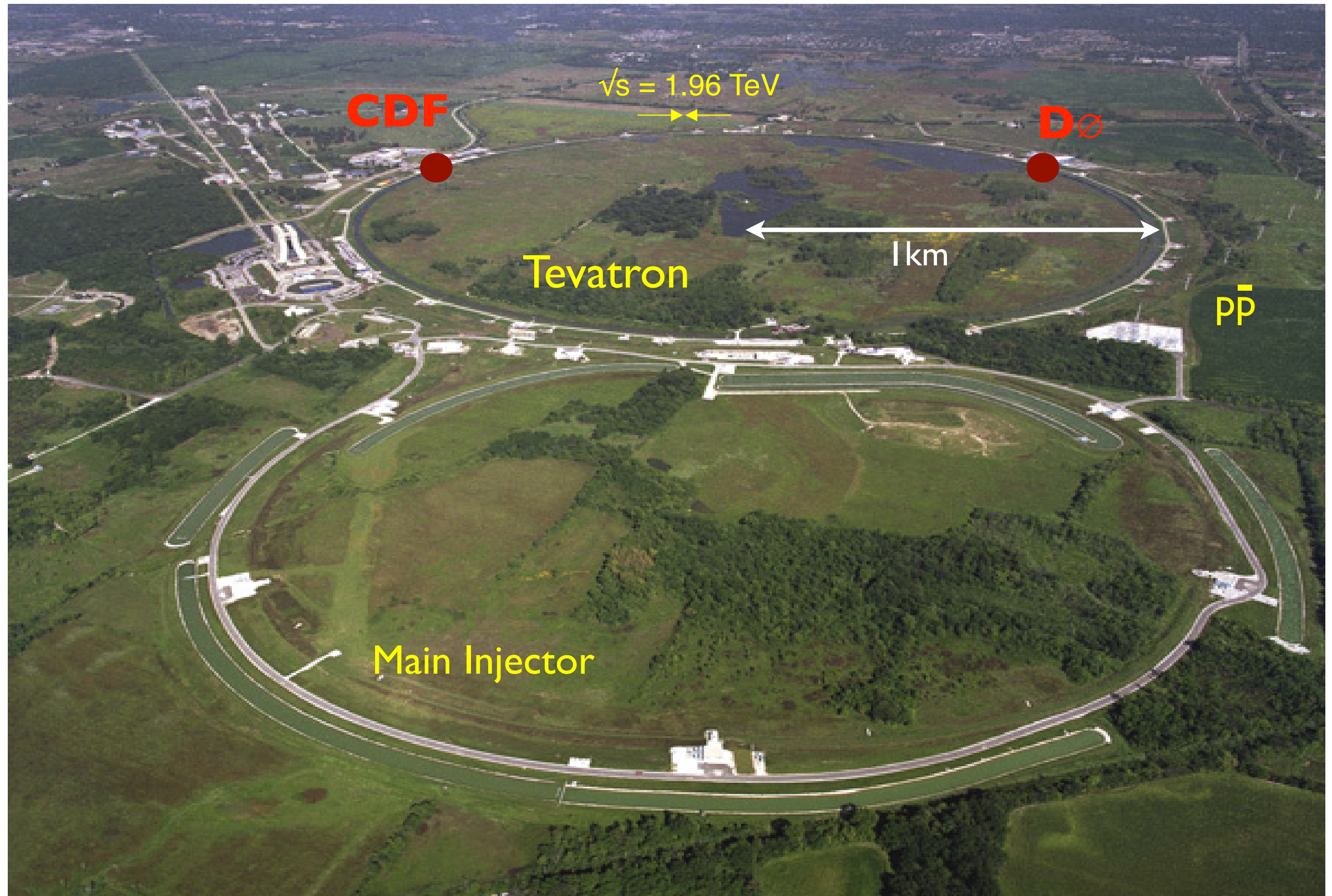


the discovery

- book based on research performed in CDF experiment @ Fermilab
- Tevatron
 - highest energy accelerator at time of research, and until LHC turn-on in 2010
 - **termination** of beam operations **in two weeks** (2011/9/30 2:00pm CDT)
- measurement: Search & observation of Bs flavor oscillations
 - **closed book on a two-decade quest**
- considered to be a flagship analysis of the Tevatron physics program
- arguably most complex measurement performed at a hadron collider
 - reason: composed of many analyses, and multiple signals combined (sensitivity)
- this month: final **measurement becomes 5 years old** (started 10 years)

Tevatron Collider (1985-2011)

@Fermilab



History *a 20 year quest*

1987

first evidence of B^0 mixing by UA1

PLB 186, 247 (1987)

followed by observation of B^0 mixing by Argus

PLB 192, 245 (1987)

1989

CLEO confirms Argus results

PRL 62, 2233 (1989)

1990s

inclusive B mixing measurements from LEP establish B_s mixing

1993

first time dependent measurements of Δm_d by ALEPH

PLB 313, 498 (1993)

first lower limit on Δm_s by ALEPH

PLB 322, 441 (1994)

1999

CDF Run I result on Δm_s : $\Delta m_s > 5.8 \text{ ps}^{-1}$

PRL 82, 3576 (1999)

2005

DØ first result Δm_s : $\Delta m_s > 5.0 \text{ ps}^{-1}$

CDF Run II first results Δm_s : $\Delta m_s > 7.9 \text{ ps}^{-1}$

2006

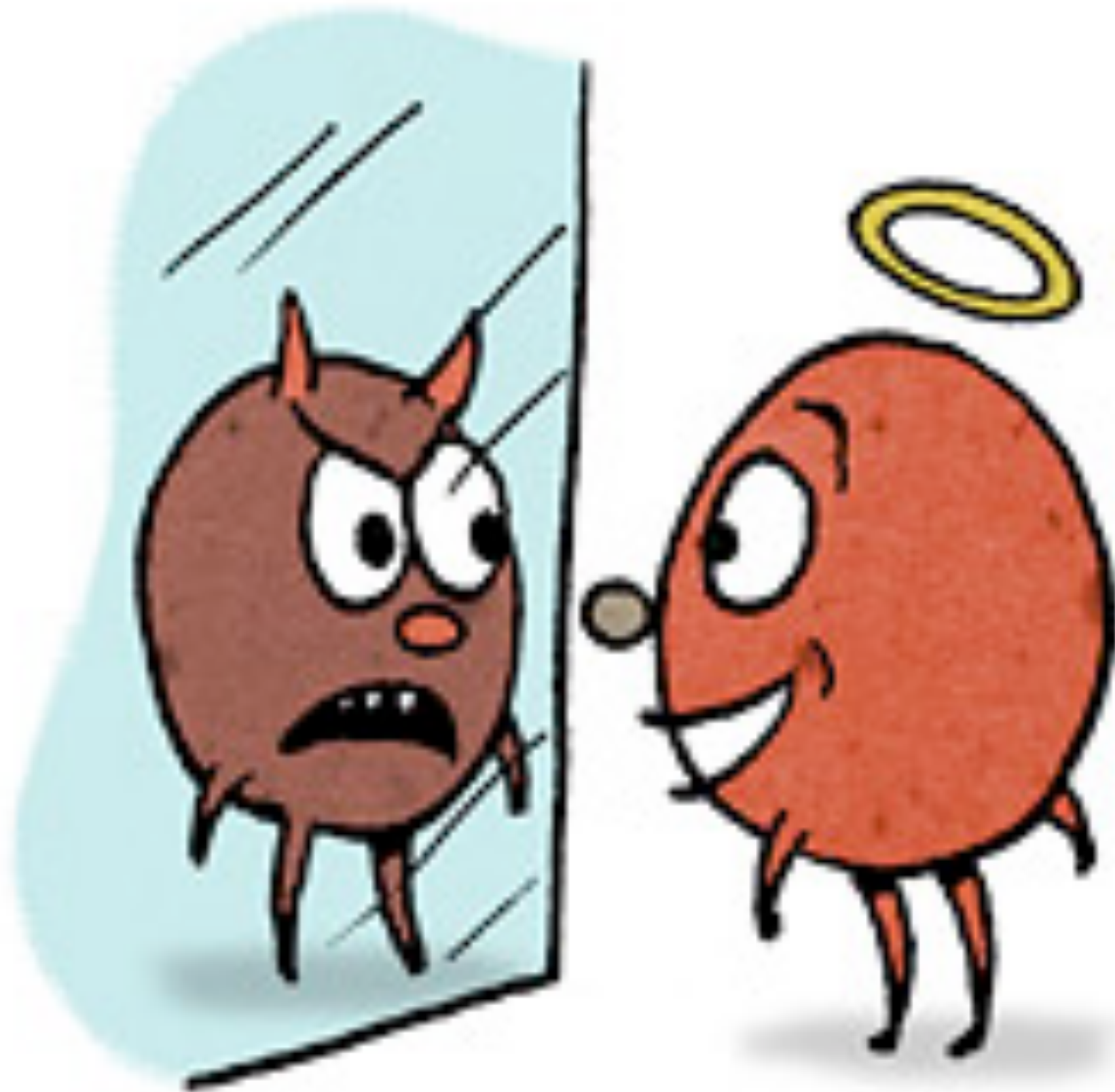
DØ reports interval: $\Delta m_s \in [17, 21] \text{ ps}^{-1}$ at 90% CL

PRL 97, 021802 (2006)

CDF Run II first measurement $\Delta m_s = 17.31^{+0.33}_{-0.18} \pm 0.07 \text{ ps}^{-1}$

PRL 97, 062003 (2006)

CDF Run II first observation $\Delta m_s = 17.77 \pm 0.10 \pm 0.07 \text{ ps}^{-1}$ **PRL 97, 242003 (2006)**

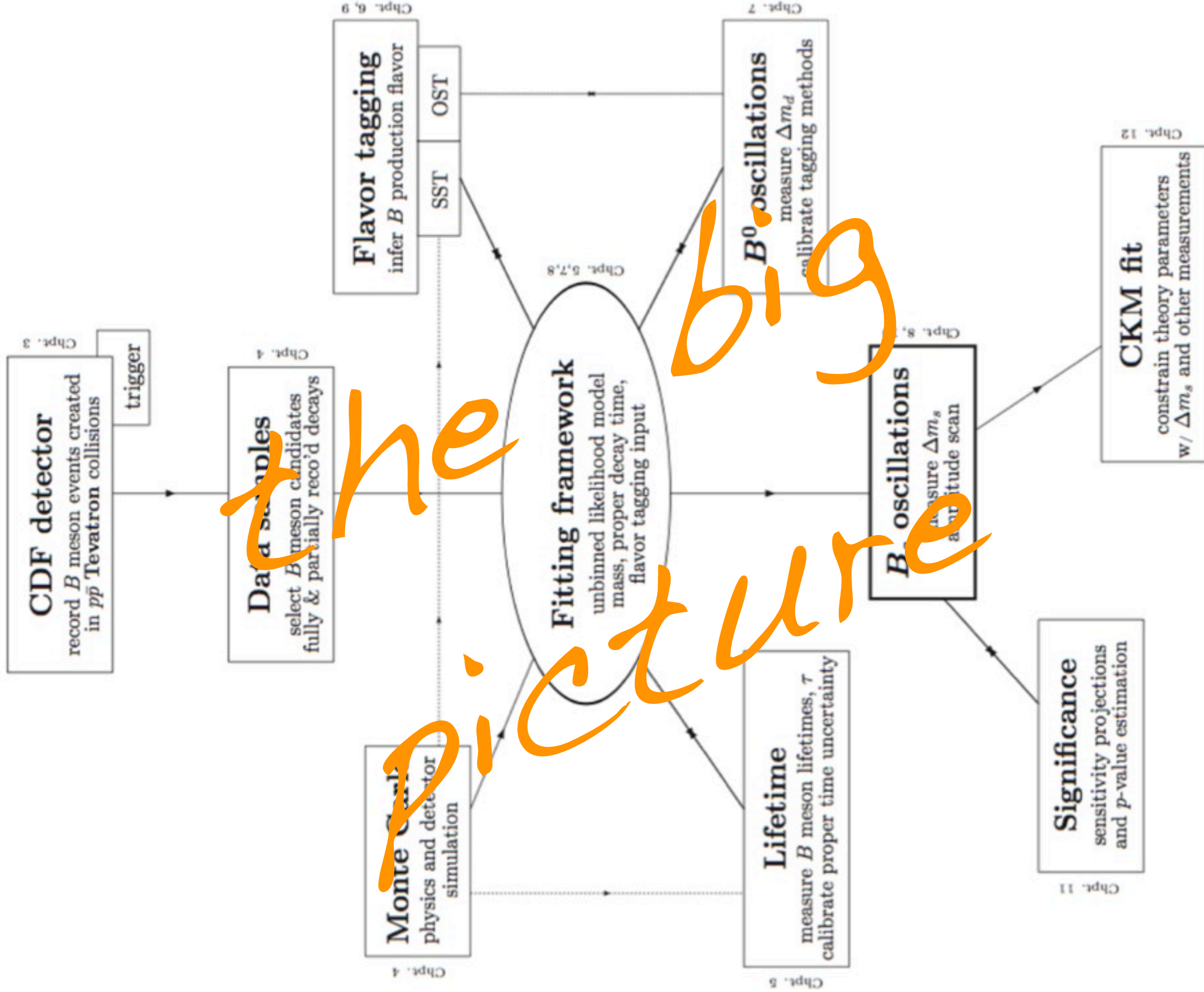


“A Real Flip-Flopper, at 3 Trillion Times a Second”

The New York Times, 18/4/2006

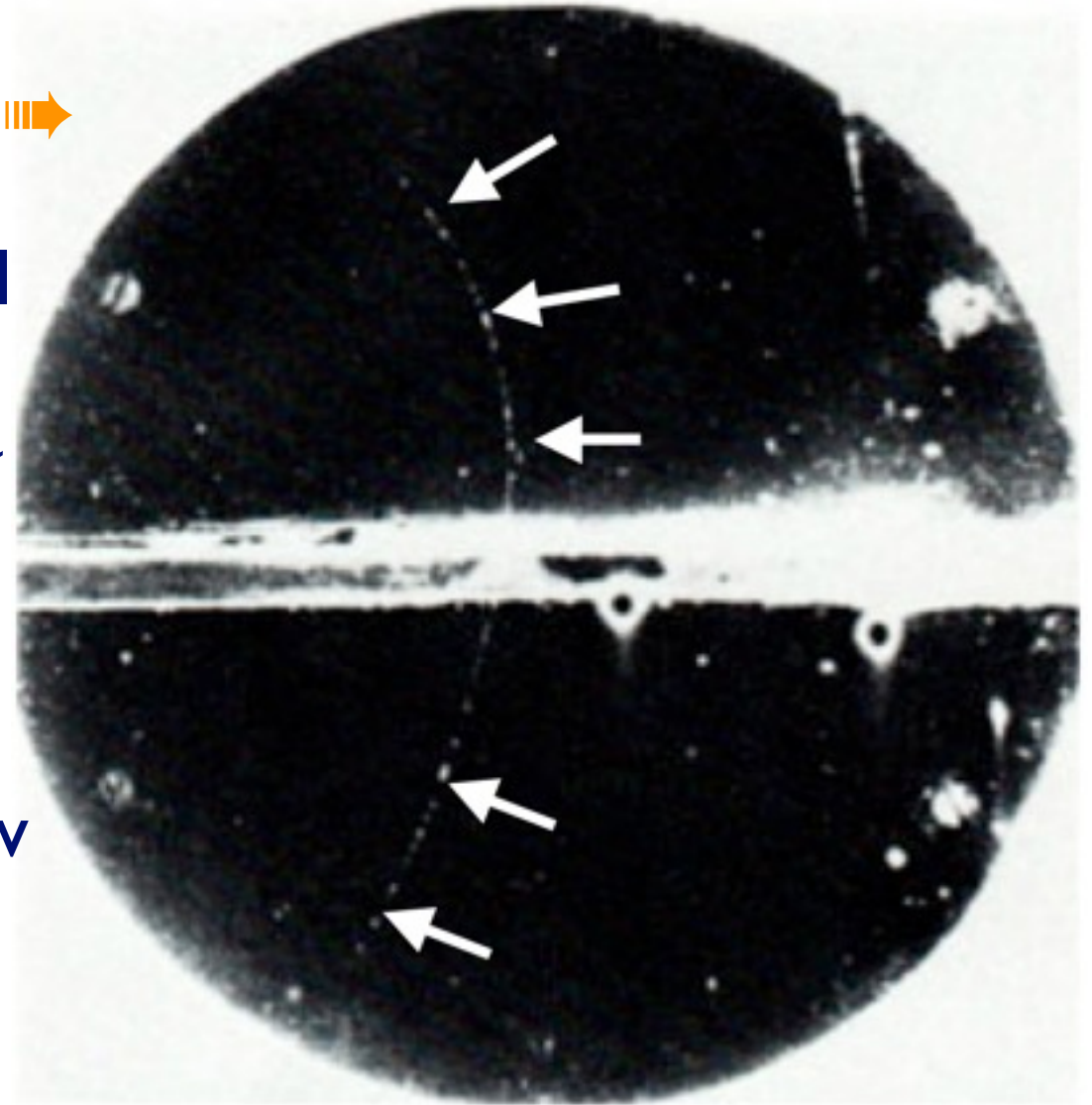
the monograph

- book attempts at providing a complete description of the topic
 - analysis results had been published in two small letters (PRL) in 2006
- detailed description of theory foundation & experimental technique
 - theory motivation \Rightarrow measurement \Rightarrow impact on theory
 - present measurement components as individual analyses, in own right
- starts with roadmap and overview of analysis components
- résumé: brief summary at end of each chapter
- presents a set of complete measurements \Rightarrow representative of the (B physics) line of research at hadron colliders



history of antimatter

- 1928 Dirac predicts anti-electron
- 1933 Carl Anderson finds the positron ➡
- 1955 anti-proton, Serge, Camberlain, et al
- 1960 anti-neutron by Cork, Piccione, et al
- 1965 anti-deuteron by Lederman et al (BNL) and Zichichi et al (CERN)
- anti-particles of most particles found now
- 1995 anti-hydrogen produced at CERN
- 1999 activation of CERN's AD
- 6 months ago ALPHA trapped 309 anti-hydrogen atoms, for as long as ~17 minutes
- next: ELENA (100 keV antiproton source)



antiparticles have
same properties
as particles but
opposite charges

neutral particle mixing

- 'flavor' mixing is a quantum mechanical effect (frequency $\sim \Delta m$)

- flavor and mass eigenstates differ

- Bs (bs)

- B0 (bd)

- D0 (uc)

- K0 (ds)

- N (udd)

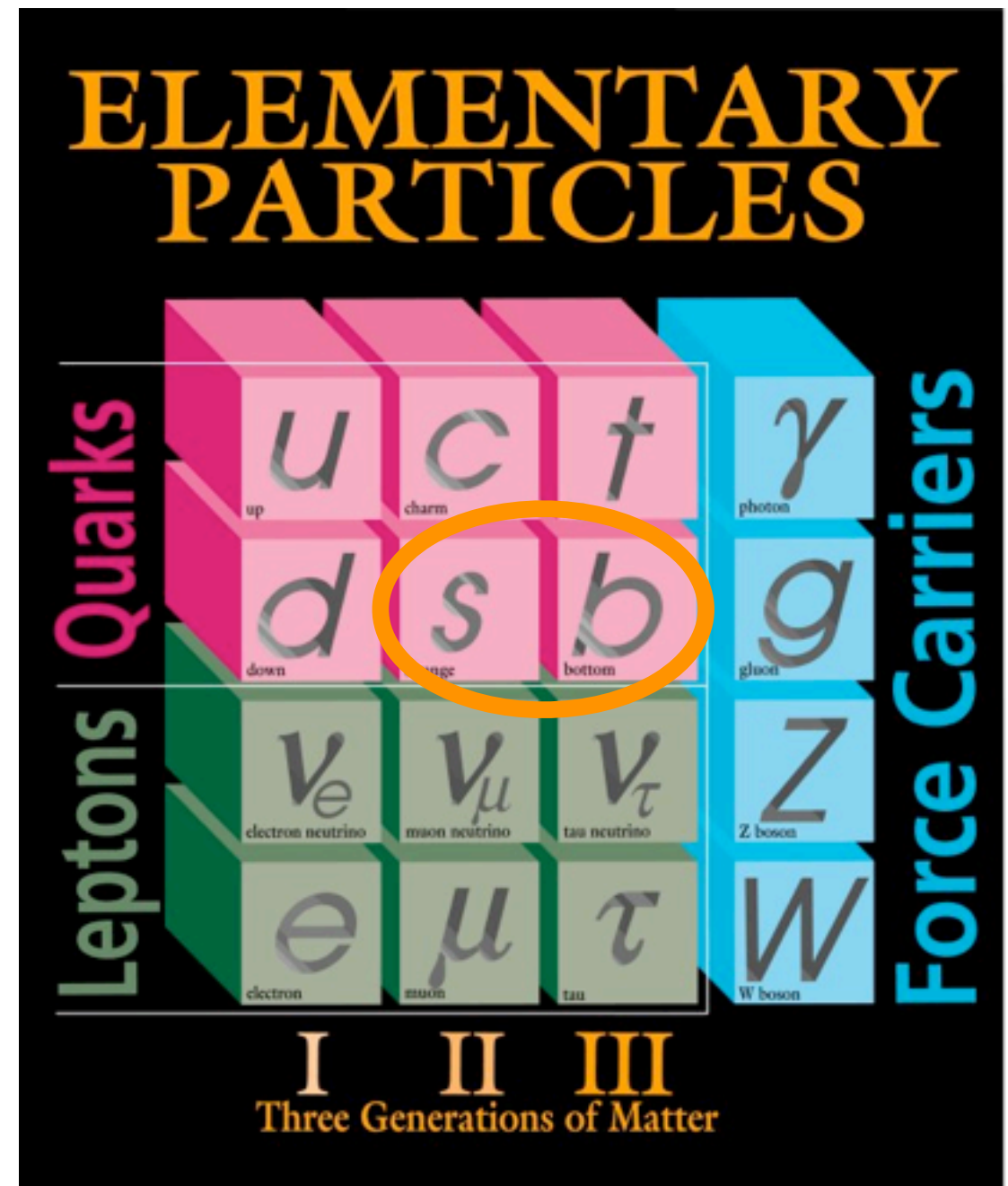
- ν

- t (decays before hadronizing)

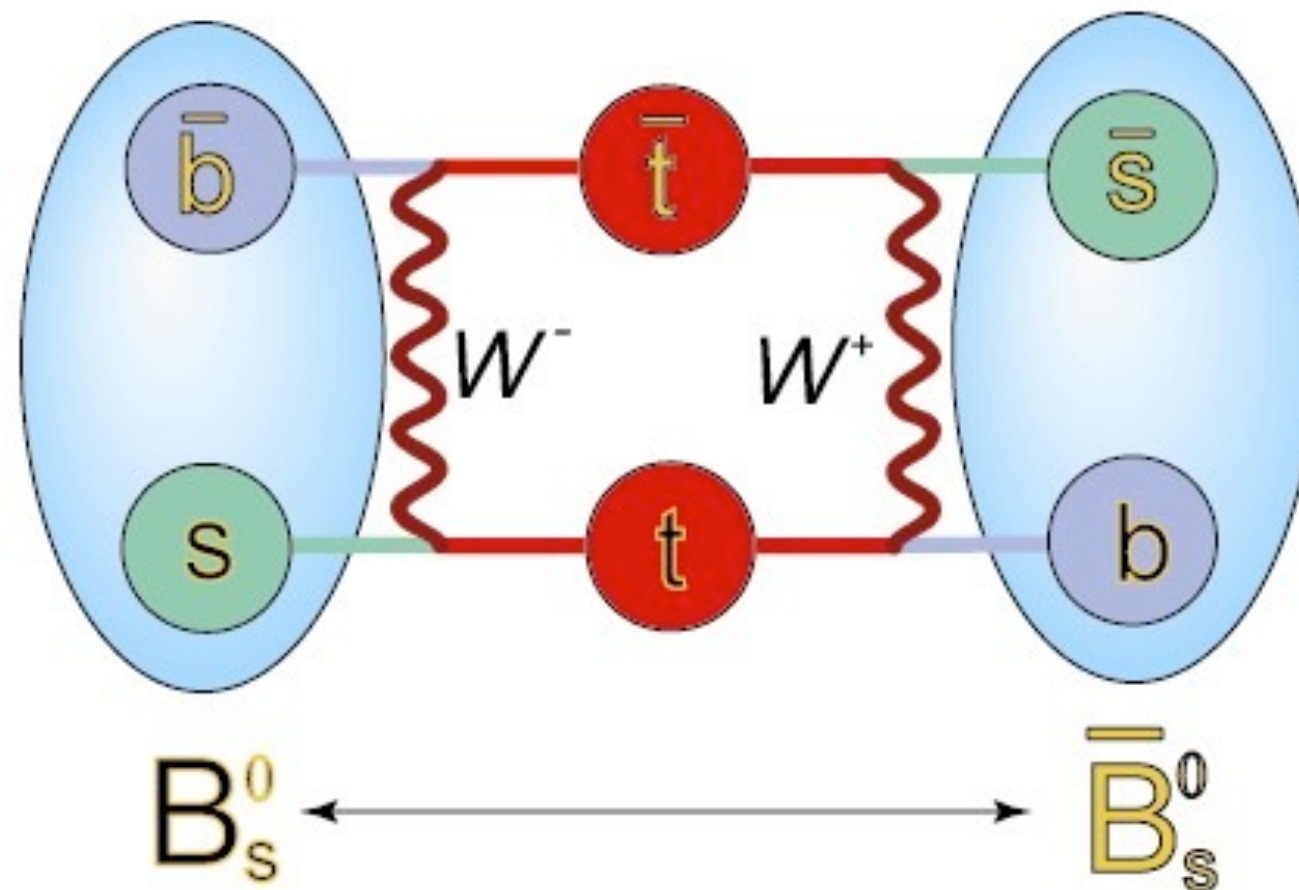
- π^0 , Z, γ ,... (eg particle=antiparticle)

- charged particles cannot mix

- electric charge protected by gauge, thus exact, symmetry



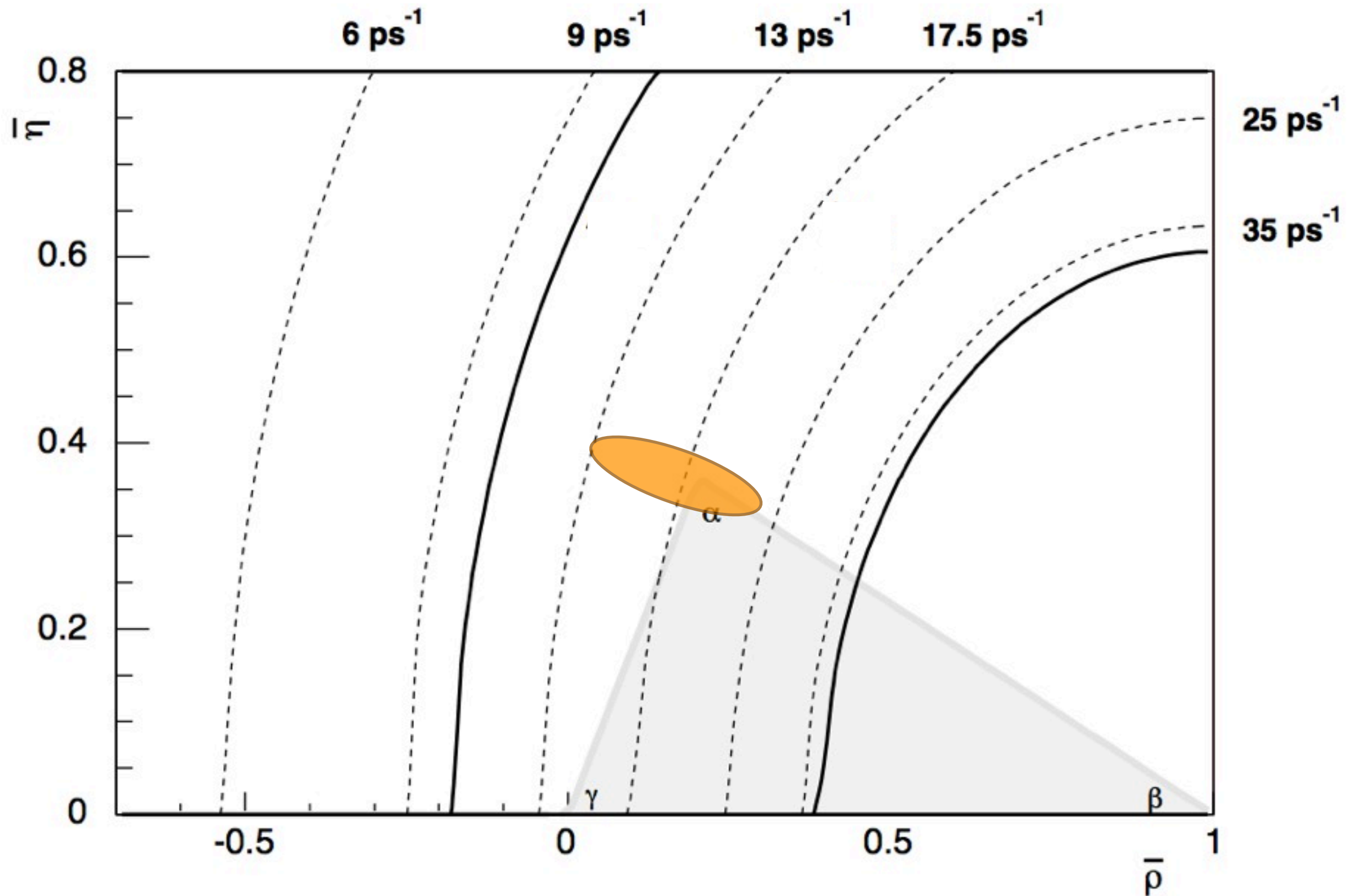
How B_s meson oscillates



Standard Model, via weak interaction, *effectively*: $b \leftrightarrow s$

New Physics particles may participate in the loop, too

oscillation frequency vs SM



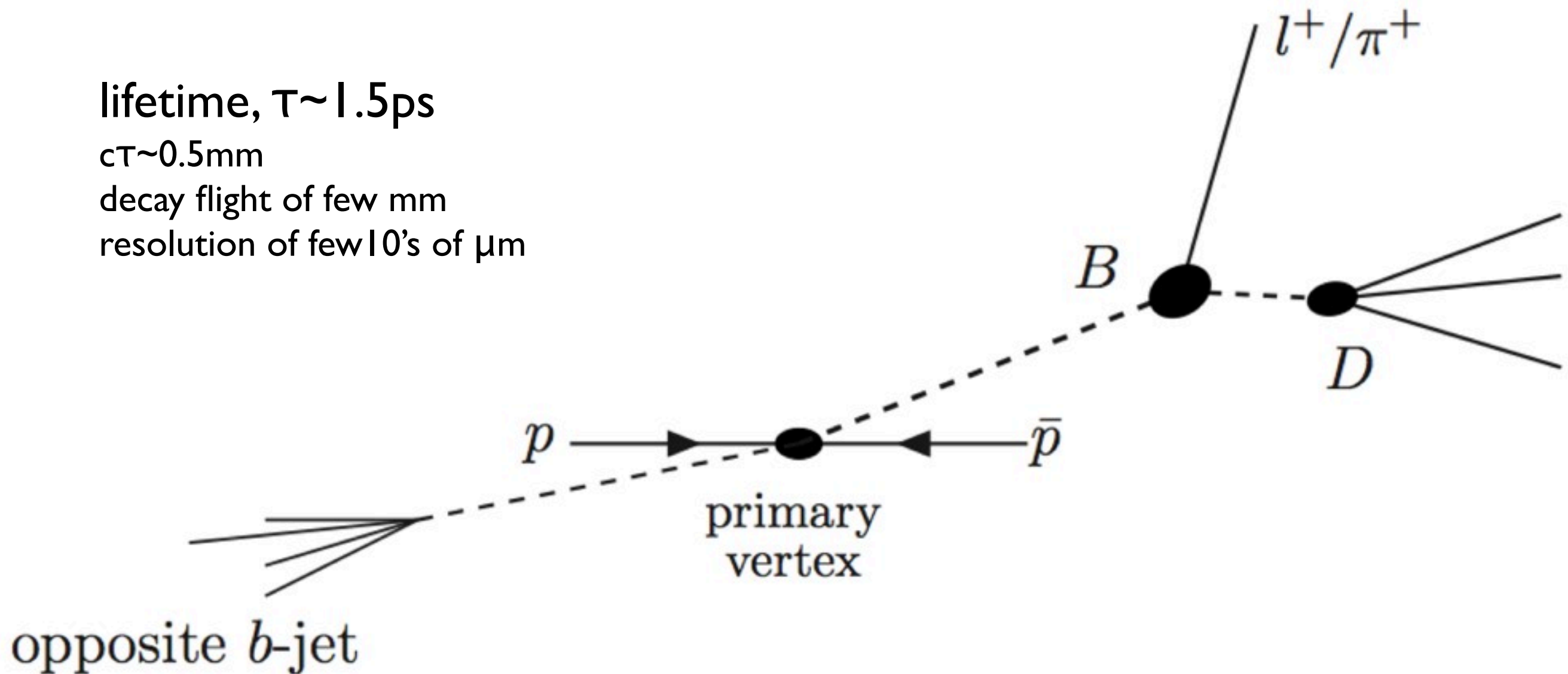
B meson event

lifetime, $\tau \sim 1.5\text{ps}$

$c\tau \sim 0.5\text{mm}$

decay flight of few mm

resolution of few 10's of μm

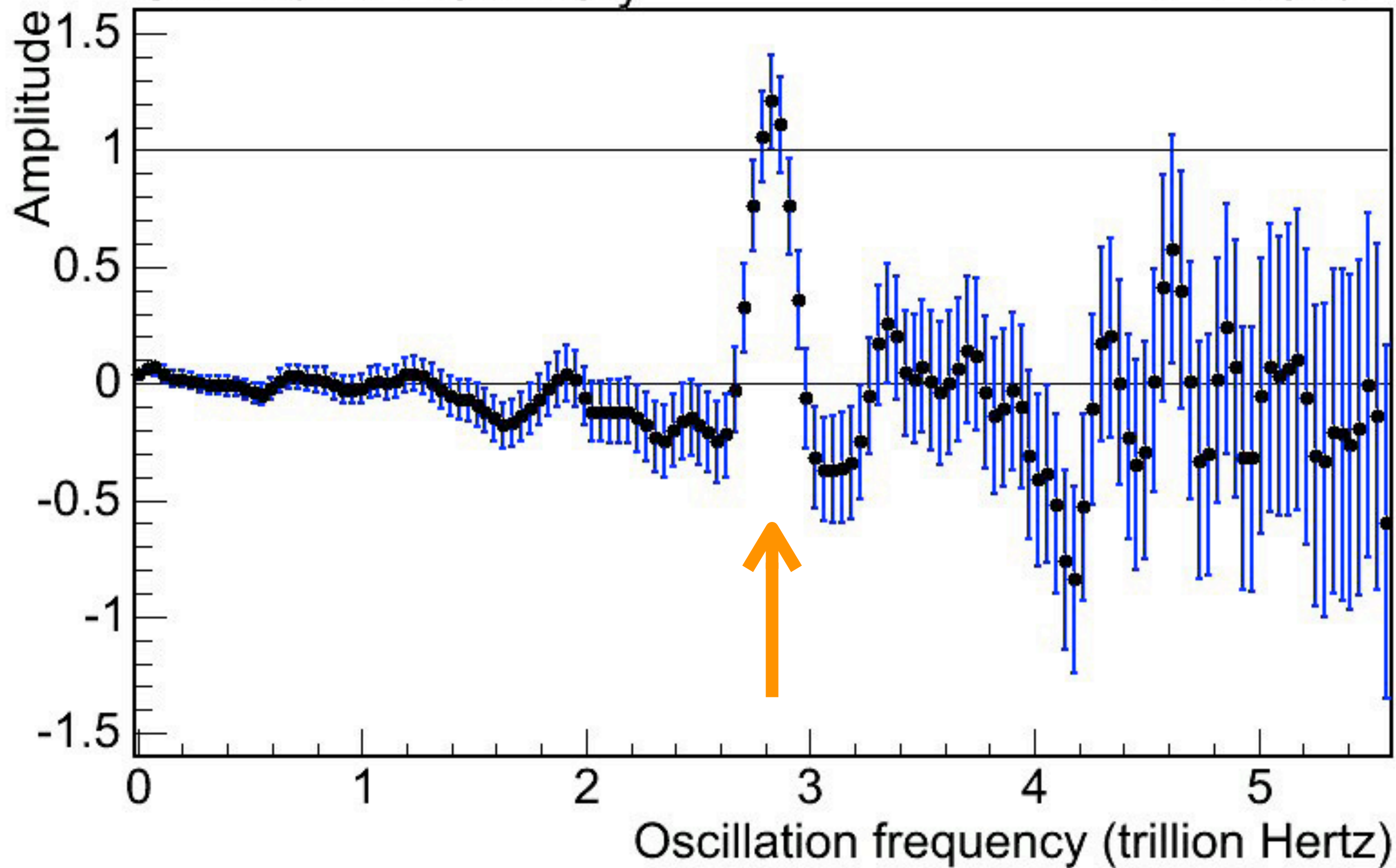


measurement ingredients:

- produce&collect B_s mesons
- reconstruct their decay
- measure flight distance
- flavor at production/decay times

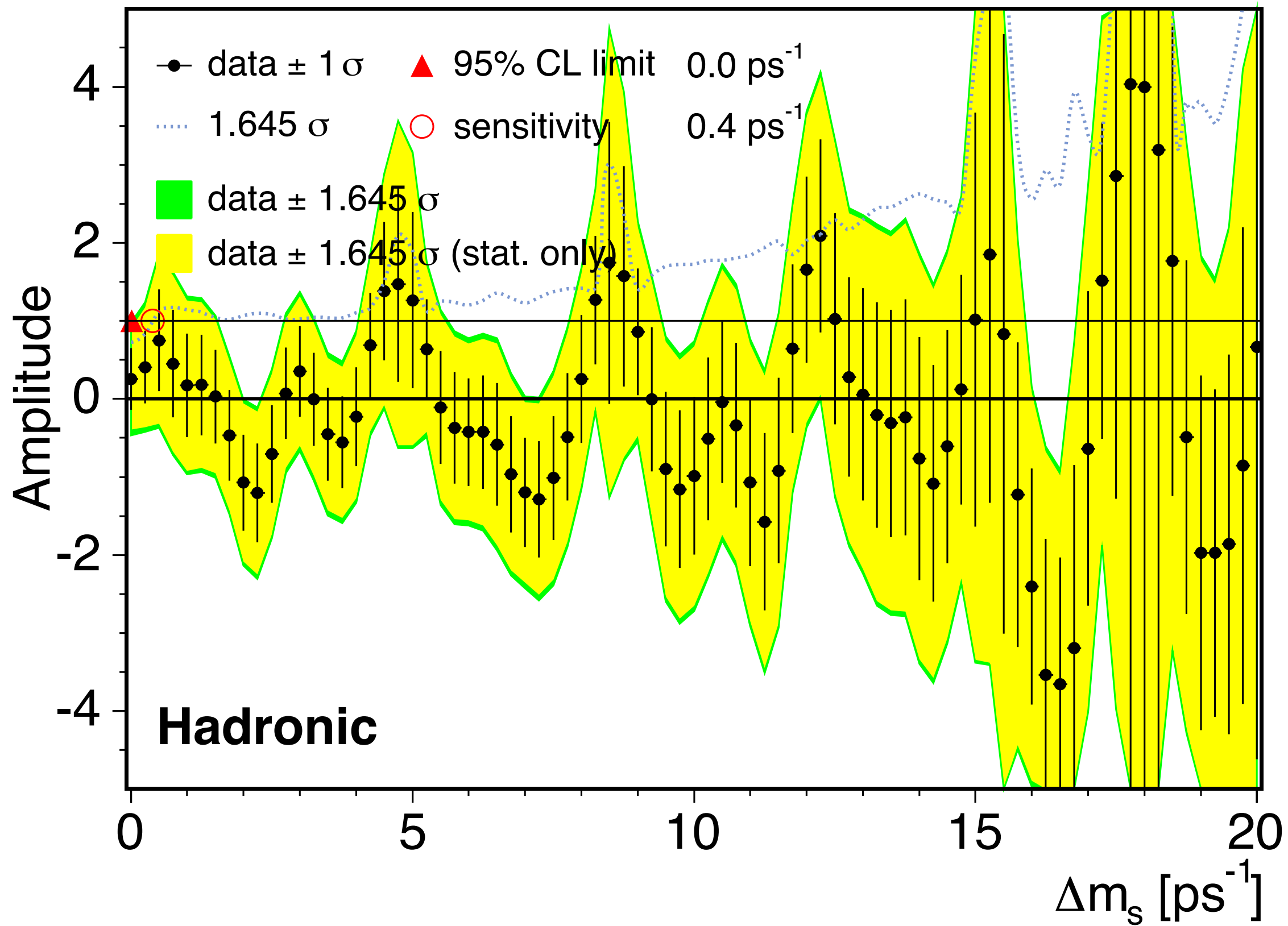
CDF Run II Preliminary

$L = 1.0 \text{ fb}^{-1}$



CDF Run II Preliminary

$L \approx 355 \text{ pb}^{-1}$



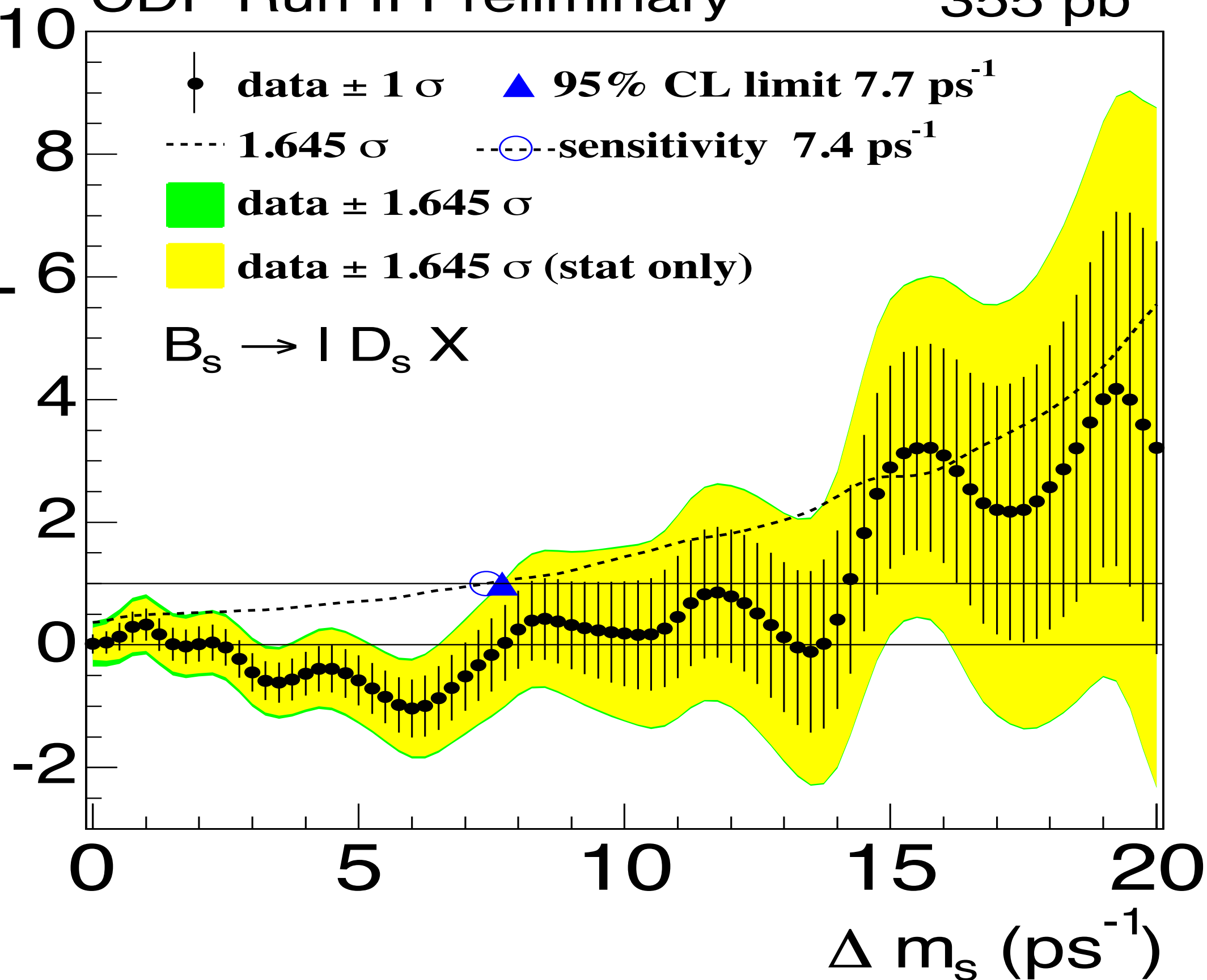
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355 pb⁻¹

Amplitude

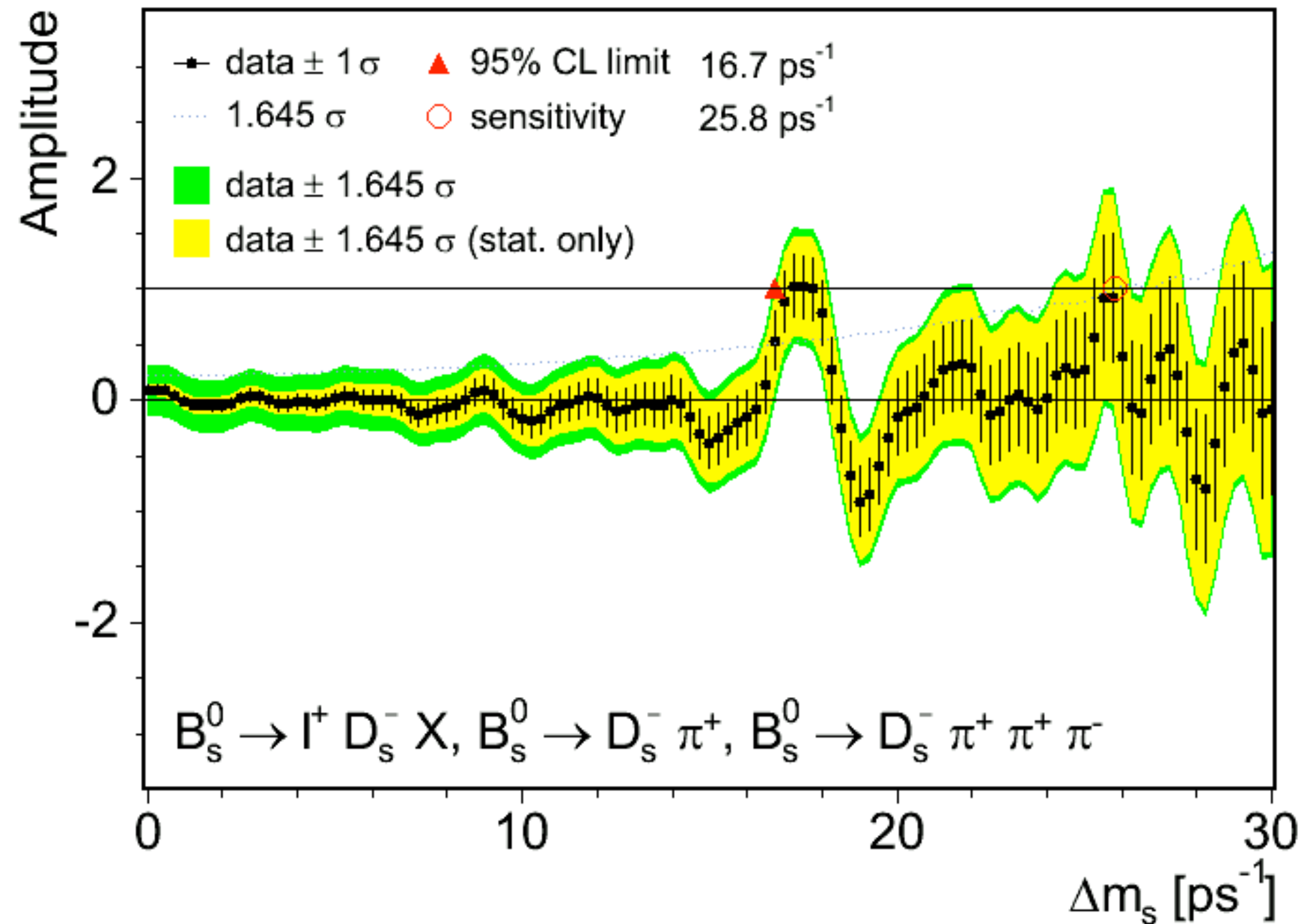
- data $\pm 1\sigma$ ▲ 95% CL limit 7.7 ps⁻¹
- - - 1.645 σ - - - sensitivity 7.4 ps⁻¹
■ data $\pm 1.645\sigma$
■ data $\pm 1.645\sigma$ (stat only)
 $B_s \rightarrow l D_s X$



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CDF Run II Preliminary

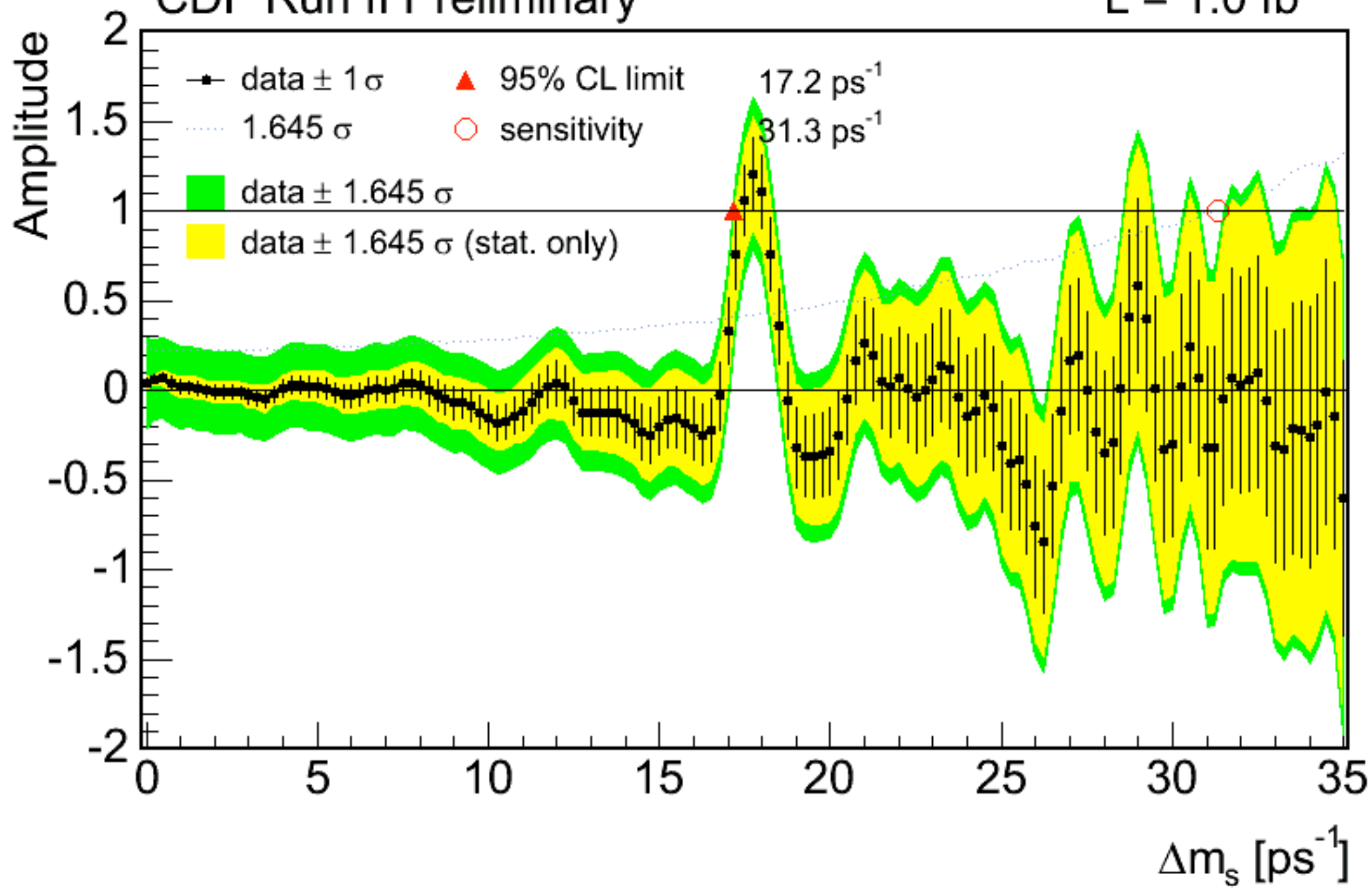
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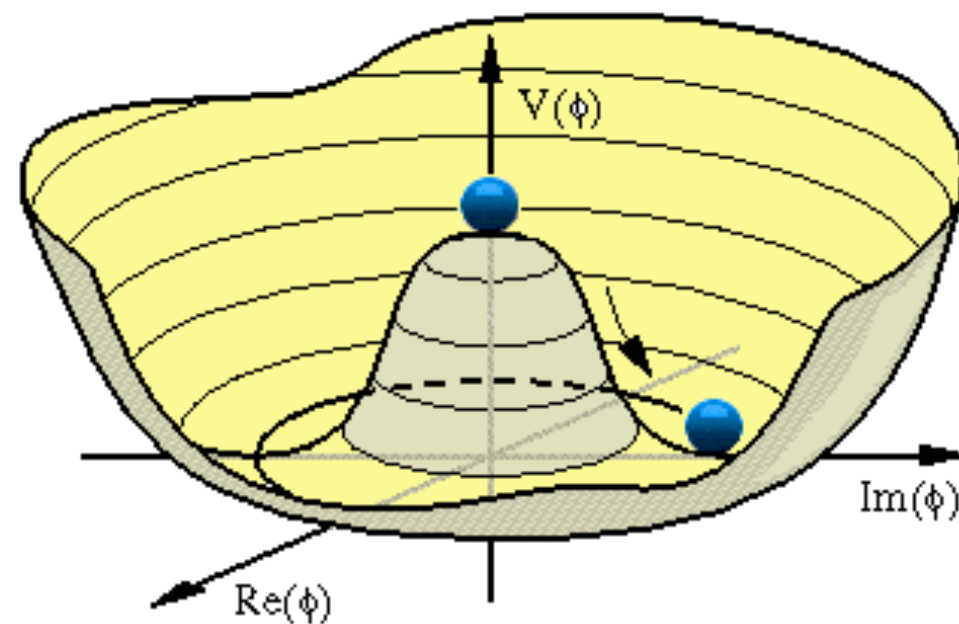
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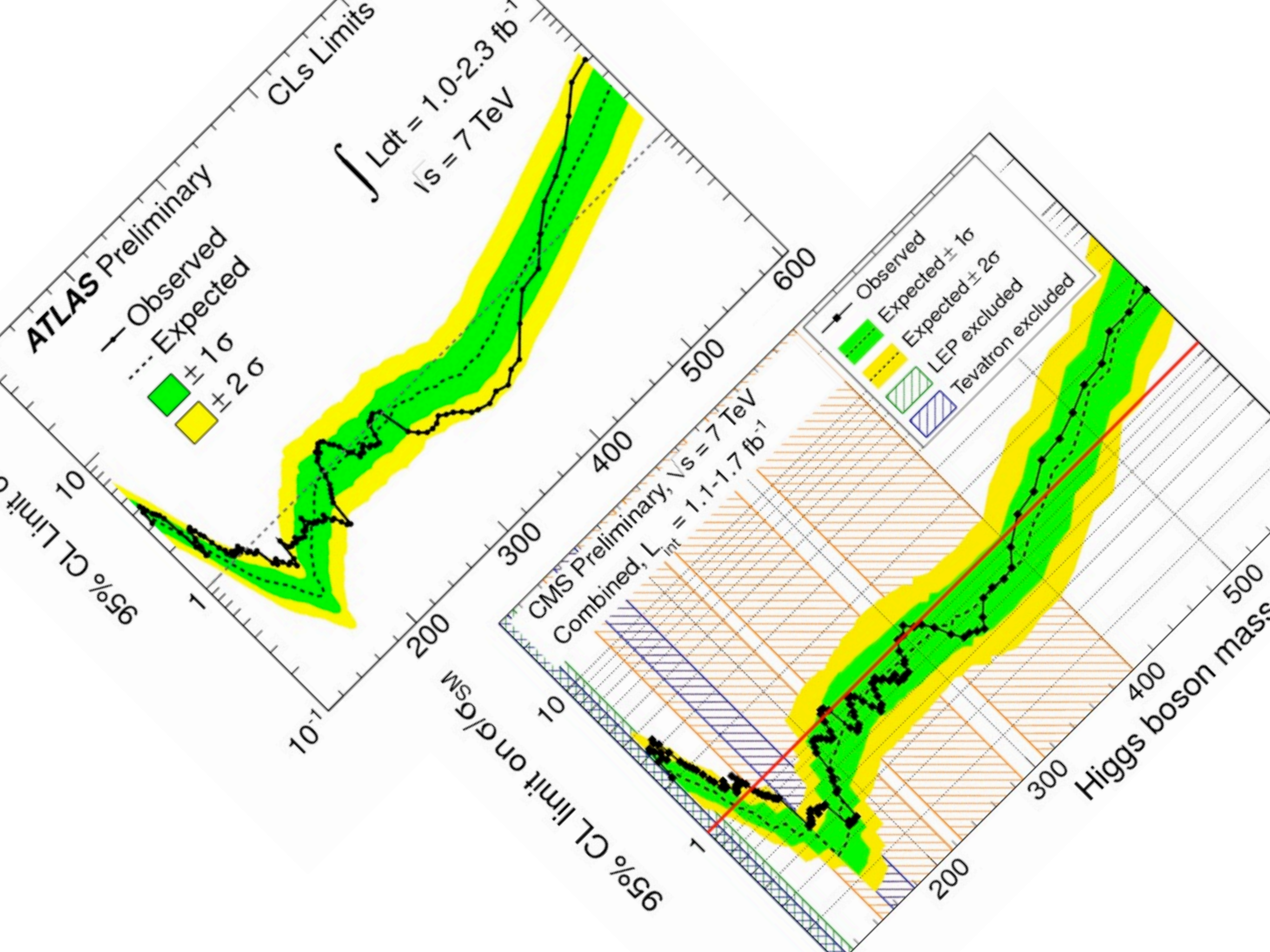
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*comparison with the current
search for the Higgs boson*





resemblances

- flagship searches
- benefit from highest energies
- long preceeding search attempts
- too high frequency / too high mass: difficult to accommodate, given constraints from global fit data/ theory
- combine multiple, complementing channels (optimize sensitivity)
- search for expected phenomena
- measurement within experimental reach (w/ reasonable expectations)

unlikeness

- direct search (for a central piece of the SM) vs indirect search (BSM)
- Higgs and LHC highly popular, inside and outside physics community
- Higgs drove detector design
- Higgs granted to be settled at LHC (discovered or excluded) soon; observation of a higher mixing frequency could have taken longer
- Bs compatible with SM, while Higgs ?!
- Bs mixing observation took 5 years, after the start of data taking; Higgs took ?! years 😊